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Title : ERROR CORRECTION IN SPEECH RECOGNITION

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In view of the following remarks, reconsideration and allowance of this application are requested. Claims 1-6, 8-25 and 27-31 are pending with claims 1 and 25 being independent.

Claims 1-6 and 12 stand rejected as being anticipated by Gould (U.S. Patent No. 5,428,707).

Independent claim 1 recites a method of correcting incorrect text associated with recognition errors in computer-implemented speech recognition. The method includes performing speech recognition on an utterance to produce a recognition result for the utterance, identifying a correction command in the recognition result for the utterance, and identifying corrected text from a portion of the recognition result for the utterance. The correction command indicates that the portion of the recognition result from which corrected text is identified includes a pronunciation of a word to be corrected. Thus, the utterance on which speech recognition is performed includes a

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